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News

T30UN Western Kiribati -update April 17

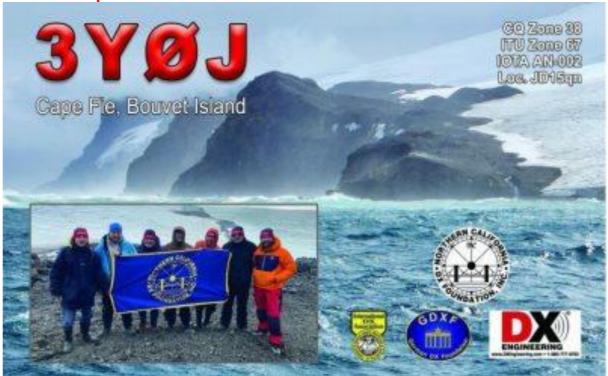
Team mention it takes a long time to upload logs from all laptops. If you do not see your callsign in the log yet, then try to call again regardless of dupe QSO or not. Final log upload for first week likely completed later today due to the previously mentioned generator issues and changing of QTH at the start. So far approx 80K QSOS made. Some pictures to follow of QTH. Also look for activity on 60m later this week.



VU7W Lakshadweep Island -update

Metal tower and solar panel frame detunes the Spiderbeam, especially on the upper bands. Power amplifier fails to tune on 17,12 and 10m bands due to high SWR of the antenna. Unfortunately, it is not possible to lift up the Spiderbeam any higher. Internet is weak and only available in the reception area, so I will upload the logs to Club Log every couple days. https://www.dx-world.net/vu7w-lakshadweep/

Bouvet Island -update



With this Final Press Release the team want to express gratitude to all our sponsors that generously supported our Bouvetøya adventure. Without the upfront support this trip would simply not be possible.

We announce today that we have decided to refund \$50,000 of the donations to the DX community.

One month before we departed Falkland Island, we informed the DX community we had financed our budget. We have continued to receive a great amount of financial support up until now. This way we can reduce the \$25,000 operator fee, and at the same time we are able to refund the DX community.

We have decided to refund our Lead Sponsor NCDXF with \$40,000. Initially NCDXF supported the team with their largest grant ever \$100,000. It is with pleasure we can give back as much as 40% of the donation to them.

E51CIK and E51WEG South Cook Islands -update

Please use Fox/Hound mode when calling E51WEG and MSHV mode when calling E51CIK. We operate mostly on following frequencies: 7070, 10145, 14092 14095, 18092, 21092 21095, 24922, 28095.



AT8BRS Henry Island, India -update

The present operation from AT8BRS said to be on Henry Island does not count for IOTA AS-153 as Henry Island does not fulfill the criteria for being an island as per IOTA rules. So will have to wait



4W1A Timor Leste -update March 19

32000 QSOs logged by this morning. Pileups are still huge. We are working on November preparation. That's why our activity could be a bit less in next 2 days. Tell us how you feel about our activity.



Internet connectivity at 4W1A is unstable at times. It appears that some contacts are lost in the permanent Live Log upload stream to Club Log. This can be fixed/synchronized by a later full upload of the ADIF file. If you wondered about missing contacts on Club Log, please check back again, and if necessary, send us a message through the Contact Form on our website.

FS/OM2DX and FS/OM2ZZ -update

April 8th we came back from Saba and Statia to Saint Martin with activity on FT8/FT4 from FS. As planned I was active as PJ6/OM2ZZ with KX2 and EFHW antenna on April 15th. I made +120 QSOs. We arrived to Statia on 15th evening and built the antenna and IC7300. We were active on FT8 / FT4 modes, but also on CW. April 19th we will be on St. Barthelemy, from where I am planning to make some QSOs as FJ/OM2ZZ from the beach with KX2 and EFHW antenna. On Thursday we will be on Anguilla Island where we will be active as VP2EOM. Picture Michal OM2DX, Katka OM2ZZ XYL and Rado OM2ZZ



DXCC

This week on air

This can change daily, please visit https://www.dx-world.net/ for updates.

3A, MONACO Ennio, IW1RBI and others will be active as 3A/call during April 20-23. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and CW. QSL via LoTW, Club Log.

4W, TIMOR LESTE Ben DL6FBL, Braco E77DX and Robert SP5XVY are operating until April 22 as 4W1A. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. `All planned HF antennas are up and tuned (40-10m). 6m is also up. All paperwork is done too. Our callsign will be 4W1A. Expecting to start 1200Z. We may improve something on 10/12m later if we see that there is a need. Nothing for 160/80m like we it was planNed from beginning. This will be saved for larger DXped which should be here in November 2023. CU soon on the bands.'

5X, UGANDA Pista, HA5AO will be QRV as 5X2I from April 24 until May 10. Activity from 40 to 10 meter at the shore of lake Victoria. Modes are CW, FT8 and some SSB. OQRS https://ha5ao.com/#

5X, UGANDA Previously active from Rwanda as 9X3SE/P, Eddy OE3SEU is now travelling in Uganda with his campervan and has obtained the callsign 5XA1J (correct call). Eddy generally uses a 20m long-wire antenna and IC-7000; sometimes active on QO-100 too. QSL via LoTW. **6Y, JAMAICA** Will, KC8WVG is active as call/6Y until April 23. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call direct, LoTW.

8Q, MALDIVES Kasimir, DL2SBY will be operating from Mushimas Migili between April 27 and May 7. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2SBY, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

8Q, MALDIVES AMSAT-OE is active with 4 operators from Austria operating on geostationary satellite QO-100 until April 29. Look for Larissa OE3YLR / 8Q7LZ , Barbara OE3YCB as 8Q7BZ, Florian OE3FTA as 8Q7FZ ,Mike OE3MZC as 8Q7MZ. QRV from Rakeedhoo Island (Grid: MJ63rh). Note: The dish size will be only 37cm to fit into the flight case. Please observe downlink QRG 10.489.732 (the OE-activity center) for split operation in SSB. Shortwave mainly on 10m-15m SSB with FT-991 and VDA. QSL via homecalls.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISL Janusz SP9FIH and Leszek SP6CIK Awill are operating as E51CIK and

E51WEG until April 28. QRV from 40 to 10 meter. http://e5.dxpeditions.org/

FR, REUNION ISL Thierry, FY4JI is active as FR/call until April 23. Operation on HF using SSB. QSL via EA5GL.

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS Bernard, DL2GAC is once again active as H44MS from Manakwai Village (northern Malaita Isl). Activity until May 8. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

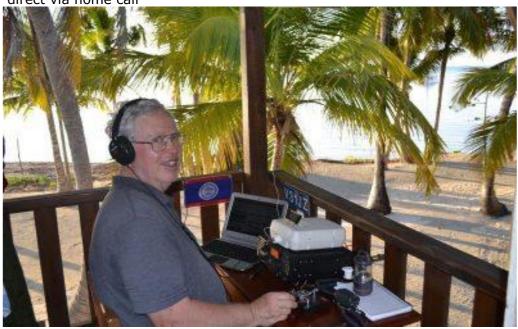
JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA Take, JG8NQJ is once again operating during his spare time until mid-May as call/JD1. Operation mainly using CW with some FT8.

JD1, OGASAWARA Harry, JG7PSJ will once again be QRV as JD1BMH between April 24 and May 5. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI See above.

V3, BELIZE Art, NN7A is once again QRV as V31JZ/P until April 23. Operation on HF. QSL via

Club Log or direct via home call



V4, ST KITTS Gary, G0FWX is once again QRV as V47FWX until April 26. Operation in 'holiday-style' at the home of John V47JA.

VK9W, WILLIS ISL Sands, VU2WXW is operating as VK9WX until end April. https://www.qrz.com/db/VK9WX

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Seth, KD9TAW will be operating as VP2V/call from Tortola between April 18 and April 22. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log.

VP9, BERMUDA Paul G4BKI / VP9KF is active from Baileys Bay until April 26. Operation on HF using CW with focus on JA and Far East on all bands. QSL via home call.

VU7, LAKSHADWEEP ISL Yuris, YL2GM is active as VU7W until April 29. QRV HF using CW, SSB and FT8 ("F/H mode will be used when outside normal FT8 frequencies") on 160-10 metres, and FT8 only on 6m. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or direct to YL2GN. A full LoTW upload will follow six months after the end of the DXpedition.

Z8, **SOUTH SUDAN** Diya, YI1DZ is once again active as Z81D until April 23. QSL via OM3JW.

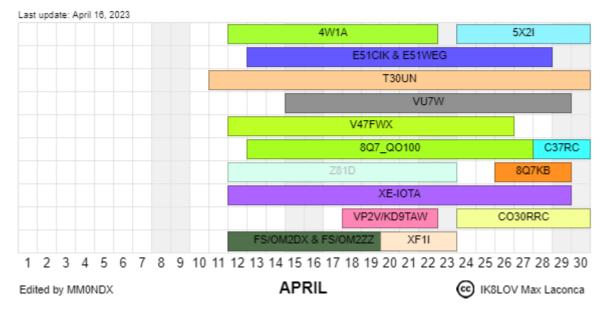
Coming up soon

9MO, SPRATLY ISL DX0NE will be on air between April 30 and May 9. Gil 4F2KWT will be operating from 160 to 6 meter. One of his two radios will be dedicated to FT8 using MSHV. The pilot station will be Nic, DU1NA (dx0ne.pagasa@gmail.com): "Internet on the island will be spotty", Gil says, "and I may only be able to check messages sporadically". QSL via Club Log OQRS or via IZ8CCW.

JD1, OGASAWARA Look for JD1BQP (JP1IHD) from Chichijima between April 29 and May 6, 2023. Operation mainly on HF using SSB. QSL via home call, direct.

DXCC Timeline

FEATURED DXPEDITIONS TIMELINE



IOTA

This week on air

ASIA

IOTA tour / Timor Leste

Rudi, DK7PE <u>got in touch</u> to say he's currently visiting and activating some Indonesian islands as **YB9/DK7PE**. He mentions that May/June he will probably be in Dili, East Timor and QRV from there (IOTA OC-148) using wire antennas and 100w.

AS-011 Karavatti Isl Yuris, YL2GM is active as VU7W until April 29. QRV HF using CW, SSB and FT8 ("F/H mode will be used when outside normal FT8 frequencies") on 160-10 metres, and FT8 only on 6m. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or direct to YL2GN. A full LoTW upload will follow six months after the end of the DXpedition.

AS-079 Miyako Isl Take, JS6RRR is active as JS6RRR and JI3DST/6 until May 15. QRV from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via QRZ.com.

EUROPE

EU-125 Fano Isl A Belgian IOTA team will be active as 5P5FI between April 22 and April 29. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via ON6EF, direct or bureau.

NORTH AMERICA

Mexican IOTA tour by XE2AA

NA-045 Mujeres Isl XF3M until April 22

NA-045 Holbox Isl XF3H April 24-29

Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS or via IT9EJW direct.

NA-086 Cayo Coco Isl Members of the Russian Robinson Club will be active with special call CO30RRC from Cayo Coco Island during 24 April – May 4. The team with CO8ZZ, CO2XN, KB2FMH, N3QQ, OK8AU, R9LR and UA9OBA will be active from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via N7RO and RW3RN, Club Log OQRS, LoTW.



SOUTH AMERICA

SA-047 Mel Isl A Brazilian team is QRV as PR5M until April 23. QRV with 2 stations on HF. QSL via PP5BZ.

SA-079 Maricas Isl During 1 weekend (between mid-April / mid-May), team PY1AA - LABRE-RJ will activate Maricás Island SA-079. The activity depends on local sea conditions. Special callsign ZY1M will be used and the QSL info is on QRZ.com. QRV on HF bands (SSB, CW, Digi). **SA-080 Tinhare Isl** Beto PY6RT and Jose PY6HD will be active from Tinhare island as PR6T on April 20-23. QRV on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

Coming up soon

EUROPE

EU-008 Isle of Islay A large group of Camb Hams from Cambridge, UK will be active as GS3PYE between April 30 and May 6. QRV from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, Data and QO-100 on SSB. QSL via LoTW and Club Log.

OCEANIA

OC-189 Yanuca Isl Cezar, VE3LYC will be active as 3D2LYC between May 1-5. Operation on 30, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meter using CW and SSB. Cezar mentions 'goal is to make 4000 QSOs with 2500 unique stations located on six continents'. QSL via Club Log OQRS (preferred), or via VE3LYC (direct and bureau). https://dd2lyc.weebly.com/

ANNOUNCEMENTS Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

CY9, ST PAUL ISL The CY0S team, along with members of the previous CY9C DXpeditions, is pleased to announce their plans to go back to St Paul Island CY9, in July/August 2024. Access to St Paul Island is only available in the two months of July and August. The larger, main island (Atlantic Cove site) is controlled by the Canadian Wildlife Service and is off-limits. DXpeditions can only be set up on the much smaller "Northeast" Island (Rock!). The CY9C team will once again have a helicopter available to access the Northeast Island as there is no dock or landing area for a boat. Much more information, including a website, will be available later this year and into 2024.

H4, SOLOMON ISL A team of Washington State amateur radio operators will be active as H44WA in March 2024. More to follow. http://www.h44wa.com/

S7, SEYCHELLES A team with G3WPH, G4IRN, G4PVM and GD4XUM will be active S79K during the CQWW DX CW contest (November 25-26). Outside contest active as S79/homecalls.

T30, WEST KIRIBATI After the T30UN DXpedition to Tarawa, W. Kiribati, the Rebel DX Group will be making a return visit to Kanton island and QRV as T31TT starting first week of June. Length of activity approx 9-10 days.

THE REMINDERS

Pacific Tour by Uli DL2AH

KHO, MARIANA ISL Rota Island August 31-September 14 as KHO/call

KH2, GUAM September 16-30 as KH2/call

V7, MARSHALL ISL October 3-15 (call pending)

V6, MICRONESIA October 18-30 as V63AH

Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8.

4U, ITU GENEVA A team with ON5UR, ON6AJ, ON8AZ and RW3AH will be operating as 4U100Q0 during May 18-20. This is the first time that there will take a QO100 activation take place. Also active as 4U1A.

8Q, MALDIVES Vincent, HB9VCJ will be active from the Cocoon Maldives Resort, Ookolhufinolhu, Lhaviyani Atoll, Maldives as 8Q7VJ. Dates not yet known, but the license (issued by Communications Authority of Maldives) stipulates the period May 20 to August 8. More to follow. **9U, BURUNDI** Antonello, IK2DUW confirms there is a DXpedition in preparation, sponsorship is sought. More to follow.

9X, RWANDA Harold, DF2WO will once again be active as 9X2AW starting from May 23 for 3 weeks. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

C2, NAURU Look again for C21TS in late July to August 2023. Plans are on track for a longer and better equipped operation. More news expected soon.

E6, NIUE Michael, DF8AN will be operating as E6AJ between November 3 and November 10. Operation on HF using CW and digi in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call.

E6, NIUE Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as E6AM between October 10 and October 27. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logsuploaded during the Dxpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

Solomon Islands, H4



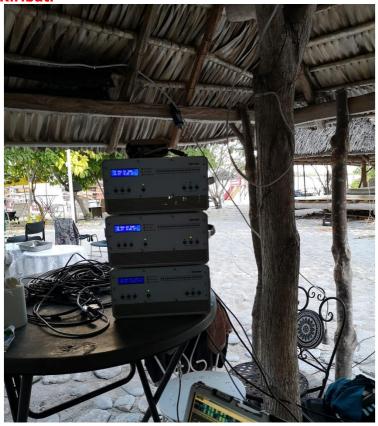
FOO, CLIPPERTON ISL The Perseverance DX Group is planning a major DXpedition to Clipperton Island during January 18 and February 2, 2024. Plan is to be QRV as TX5S between 160 and 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. It has been 11 years since the last activation. Team members include: Jacky ZL3CW, Dave K3EL, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR, Walt N6XG, Rob N7QT, Glenn KE4KY, Chris N6WM, Arliss W7XU, Philippe FO4BM, Dave WD5COV and Andreas N6NU. Joining the team will be a scientist from the University of French Polynesia who will conduct studies while on the island. https://clip.pdxg.net/

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Didier, F6BCW will be operating as FO/call from Huahine Island OC-

- 067. Activity during May October from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call and LoTW.
- **FO/M MARQUESAS ISL** A large team with F6BCW, F6EEQ, F6FMC, F6HBI, F5VHQ, F5JRX, F5LRL, F4ISZ and F1MNQ will be active from Hiva Oa Island (call pending) during November 4-19. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT4/8 and RTTY with 4 statiosn. QSL via EA5GL or Club Log OQRS.
- **FP, ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON** The next trip to FP by KV1J is planned for June 27 until July 11. QRV in various contests throughout the period. Activity on 80-6m; CW, SSB, Digi.
- **FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON** Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19,the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed sometime in 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. http://www.to5t.com/
- **FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA** Tom, KH0/KC0W informs: due to Covid this trip will be postponed. As soon the situation changes Tom will let us know when he departs Saipan.
- H40, TEMOTU The Intrepid DX Group has released their next DXpedition to Temotu Province as H40WA between October 31 and November 14. A team of 8 operators with Rob N7QT, Paul N6PSE, Sandro VE7NY, Jun OE1JUN/JH4RHF, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR and Arliss W7XU and Walt N6XG will do efforts on the low bands using CW, SSB and FT8. Temotu 2023 DXpedition Intrepid DX Group (intrepid-dx.com)
- **HKO, SAN ANDRES ISL** Look for HKO/PY7RP, HKO/PY7XC and HKO/PY8WW during May 4-11. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. Focus on the higher bands with 6 meter included. QSL via home calls, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.
- KH8, SWAINS ISL Due to the Covid-19 pandemic it is still impossible to travel to Swains Island. Alex Jennings (owner of island) and the team will start planning again sometime 2023.

 OJO, MARKET REEF Stian LB5SH, Bjorn LA1UW, Tor LA3WAA and Kristoffer LB0VG will be active OJO/calls between May 20 and May 27. Operation with 2 stations from 80 to 4 meter using CW, SSB and digital.
- **OY, FAROES** Thomas DC8TM and Martina DF3TS will be active as OY/calls between June 25 and July 5. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.
- **PJ5, ST EUSTATIUS** Look for PJ5/PA4O and PJ5/PE6Q between July 6 and July 18. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. An entry in the IARU HF Championship is included as PJ5C. QSL via Club Log OQRS.
- **PJ6, SABA** PJ6DX callsign recently added to the QRZ.com database by Tom KH0/KC0W. This will be a CW DXpedition. More to follow.
- **T8, PALAU** Yoshi JR3QFB (T88JH), Miyo JO3LVG (T88MK) and Hiro JM1LIG (T88FM) will be active from the Palau Radio Club / Shack during September 12 and September 18. QRV on HF bands using various modes. QSL via homecalls.
- **TF, ICELAND** Dervin, PD9DX will be operating as TF/call between May 29 and June 9. Activity on HF using SSB, FT4/8. QSL via M0URX.
- **V4, ST KITTS** Once again, W5JON will be active as V47JA between May 23 and June 7. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call direct or LoTW.
- **VP2V**, **BRITISH VIRGIN ISL** Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/call from Anegada Isl during June 23-29. Operation on 6 meter only using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via QRZ.com information. **VP2V**, **BRITISH VIRGIN ISL** Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates not yet mentioned. More to follow.
- **XU, CAMBODIA** This Dxpedition had been due to take place during March, however since many of the team were from Ukraine it's clear it had to be postponed. Juris YL2GM, team leader explains: My team planned expedition XU7AKT in March. The expedition had to be cancelled due to the war in Ukraine. However, Latvian Radiosport Federation supports Ukraine during these tough times and invites radio amateurs around the world to join this support by donating. More info can be found on the LRSF homepage: https://www.lral.lv/lrsf/index.html
- **YJ, VANUATU** A team with NC7M (YJ0TT), K6VHF (YJ0NA), W6UC (YJ0UC) and NG7E (YJ0ET) will be QRV from Port Vila in October 2023 (exact dates to be confirmed). Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi + 23cm EME.
- **YJ, VANUATU** A team with N4VGE as team leader will be active for 2 weeks in October 2024. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digi with an entry in the ARRL 10m contest on December 14-15. More to follow.
- **YN, NICARAGUA** Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO

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IOTA

THE REMINDERS

ASIA

AS-023 Amami-O Isl Kenji, JA4GXS will once again be operating as call/6 during May 6-8. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

AS-039 Commander Isl A team with R7AA, UA7A, UA6EX and RM0F will be QRV as RI0Z between August 18 and September 1.

AS-058 Songsong Isl An 18-man 9M2-team will be active from Songsong Island (Kedah West Malaysia) AS-058 as 9M4KI during May 12-14. QRV on 40m, 20m, 15 and 10 meter using SSB. QSL via 9M2HUS.

AS-107 Samet Isl E20AX/p has had to postpone the activation of Samet Island that was originally scheduled for 8-10 January 2022 because of the Omicron outbreak. A new date is yet to be set.

EUROPE

EU-008 Isle of Tiree

EU-108 Treshnish Isl

On May 26th – after picking up Emil DL8JJ and Nobby G0VJG from the airport and dropping them off at their departure point for MM0UKI Rockall EU-189 DXpedition – Col MM0NDX and Jonathan MM0OKG will then head back to Glasgow airport and take a flight to the Isle of Tiree EU-008 and be QRV as MS0INT until May 29th. Activity on higher bands (17-6m) using monoband vertical dipoles and a portable 6m quad. QSL via LoTW.

'There is a small chance they may try activate the neighbouring Treshnish Islands EU-108 for a few hours but this will depend on weather and will very much be a decision made on the day (possibly May 28th). Will update..'

EU-007 Great Blasket Pete M1PTR, Tom M0DCG and Kieron M5KJM will be operating as EJ6KP/P during May 16-18. Operation on HF using SSB, operation depending the weather. QSL via LoTW. **EU-064 Noirmoutier Isl** Look for ON6ZV, ON6OM and ON7EG as TM4IPA between June 17 and June 23. F/ON4IPA and F/OO6P will also be used from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and digi. More on Untitled Document (qsl.net)

EU-189 Isle of Rockall The Rockall expedition is now scheduled to leave from Inverkip Marina, Greenock, Scotland May 26. This is a charity event (details below) and the plan is to spend a week on the rock. Amateur Radio operation is planned for part of the stay.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-220 Maniitsoq Isl Joe, OZ0J will be operating between September 15 and September 21. Activity from 80 to 10 meter depending free space for antennas. Call is pending. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or home call.

OCEANIA

OC-067 Huahine Isl Didier, F6BCW will be operating as FO/call from Huahine Island OC-067. Activity during May – October from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call and LoTW

OC-237 Gili Ketapang Isl Huzen, YE3BYE/P will be QRV between May 15 and May 21. Operation on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW.

Special calls

<u>THE NEWCOMERS</u>

CN, MOROCCO Celebrating World Amateur Day and IARU's 98th anniversary, Moroccan amateurs are allowed to use special prefix **CN98** on 15-20 April. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX)

EA, SPAIN Representing the three provinces of Aragon, special callsigns **AM23SJH** (Huesca), **AM23SJT** (Teruel) and **AM23SJZ** (Zaragoza) will be activated on 23 April to celebrate Day of Aragon and the name-day of San Jorge (St. George, Aragon's patron saint). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE TM98WARD marks the World Amateur Radio Day <u>from April 15 to 24</u>. QSL via F6BBE (d/B). (TNX DXNL)

I, ITALY Look for IYOCG, IYOGA (Sardinia), IYOIMD, IYOMMR, IYOORP, IYOTC, IY1MR,

IY1SM, IY1SP, IY1TO, IY4FGM, IY5PIS, IY6GM and **IY7M** to be active during the International Marconi Day (<u>22 April</u>). QSL via operators' instructions. These stations are affiliated to the "Coordinamento Stazioni Marconiane Italiane" which gathers amateur radio stations operating from historic Marconi sites located in Italy. (TNX 425DX)

OE, AUSTRIA Special event station **OE23M** will be activated to take part in the International Marconi Day (<u>22 April</u>). QSL via OE1YPP (bureau) or direct to DokuFunk, OE23M, An den Steinfeldern 4A, 1230 Wien, Austria. (TNX 425DX)

XE, MEXICO 4A90 is the special callsign to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Club de Radio Experimentadores de Occidente (XE1TD), founded on 25 May 1933. Look for activity <u>between 1 April and 30 May</u>. QSL via LoTW only. (TNX 425DX)



THE REMINDERS

3A, MONACO 3A8AB is a special callsign for the 100th anniversary of the first radio link in short wave telegraphy between France and the USA by F8AB Léon Deloy, French radio amateur, from Nice, and the American U1MO Fred Schnell in Hartford (Connecticut) on November 27, 1923. Léon Deloy, born on February 4, 1894, died in Monaco, where he resided, on January 21, 1969. He bequeathed his fortune to a charitable foundation in Monaco. Activity with this callsign expected throughout month of April. QSL via LoTW.

4X, ISRAEL Celebrating the 75th anniversary since the foundation of the Israel Amateur Radio Club (IARC) and the establishment of the State of Israel, local amateurs may use special prefixes **4X75** and **4Z75** on 14-30 April (e.g. 4Z4DX may use 4Z75DX, 4X1RE may use 4X75RE, etc.) Contacts with 4X75 and 4Z75 stations will attract 3 points during the NEW Holyland Contest. (TNX 425DX)

5H, TANZANIA 5H100TC is the special callsign that TA1HZ, currently stationed in Tanzania and active as 5H8HZ, has been granted to use <u>during 2023</u> in celebration of the 100th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via M00XO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

7X, ALGERÍA 7T60ARA is the special callsign celebrating the 60th anniversary of Algeria's IARU member society, Amateurs Radio Algeriens (ARA). Look for activity <u>between 23 March and 23 April</u>. (TNX 425DX)

9A, CROATIA 9A66AA is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA is using throughout 2023 to mark his 66th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES The national ham organisation EARS runs the special event station A60AP with additional designators /0 to /15 to mark their country's astronaut programme: **A60AP/0** Op. A61Y QSL: EA7FTR

Op. A61M QSL: A61BK A60AP/1 A60AP/2 Op. A61Q QSL: EA7FTR A60AP/3 Op. A61FK QSL: A61BK Op. A61BK QSL: A61BK A60AP/4 Op. A61DD QSL: EA7FTR A60AP/5 A60AP/6 Op. A61QQ QSL: A61BK A60AP/7 Op. A61AY QSL: DIRECT Op. A65GC QSL: DIRECT A60AP/8 Op. A61ZX QSL: IZ8CLM A60AP/9 A60AP/10 Op. A65BR QSL: DIRECT A60AP/11 Op. A61NN QSL: EA7FTR Op. A65GD QSL: Direct A60AP/12 A60AP/13 Op. A65GJ QSL: Direct A60AP/14 Op. A61FJ QSL: LZ1YE Op. A61DI QSL: EA7FTR A60AP/15

They remain active <u>until the end of August</u>. (TNX DXNL) For more information see: https://www.mbrsc.ae/service/astronaut_prog/



C3, ANDORRA To celebrate DX-World's 16th anniversary – and in partnership with hosts Unió de Radioaficionats Andorrans (URA) – look for special event callsign C37RC (Radio Club) to be on the air <u>during the last weekend of April</u>. Operators will be made up of members of URA and DX-World's MM0NDX plus guest ops EA3NT & MM0OKG. They will operate on various bands and modes in this exciting collaboration. It was in Easter 2007 that DX-World first appeared on your computer screens and has now grown into one of the world's favourite DX news sources, updating almost daily with the freshest of DX info. 16 years later, thanks to very generous and most

helpful cooperation of URA, the tiny Principality of Andorra is going to be put on the world stage as Team DX-World / URA operating as C37RC takes to the airwaves and celebrates a milestone with its global audience and readers. QRV all bands, CW, SSB, FT8/FT4. You're very welcome to call and wish DX-World a Happy 16th Birthday!! QSL via URA (buro or direct), LoTW.

DL, GERMANY Special event callsign **DM23BUGA** will be active from 9 April to 8 October. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL2VFR. The suffix stands for "Bundesgartenschau", the biennial horticulture show and festival that this year will take place in Mannheim. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY DR45HAAN is the special callsign for DARC's Ortsverband Haan (R24) to celebrate their 45th anniversary <u>until September 30</u>. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL7ET. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY DR100XRAY commemorates the 100th anniversary of the death of Wilhelm Roentgen, inventor of the X-rays and winner of the Nobel Prize for physics in 1901. QRV <u>until the end of June</u>. QSL via bureau or direct. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY Special callsign **DROLIMES** will be active <u>between 1 April and 30 June</u> for this year's German World Heritage Day (4 June). The "limes" was the border line of the Roman Empire at its greatest extent. In 2005, the remnants of the Upper German-Raetian Limes were inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage list as "Frontiers of the Roman Empire". (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY The DARC club V22 runs the special event station **DM775NB** (special DOK NB775) to mark the 775th anniversary of the city Neubrandenburg in 2023. QSL via bureau or direct to DM6RAC. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY Celebrating "100 years of broadcasting in Germany", special callsign **DB100RDF** is in use <u>during 2023</u>. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ. The first official radio entertainment programme in Germany was broadcast on 29 October 1923. (TNX 425DX)



GU, GUERNSEY To mark the 19th Island Games, look for **GB5IG** from Friday 7th to Saturday 15th July, on 80 to 10m, SSB, FT8/FT4, and some satellite work, including QO-100. There may be some CW activity too. QSL will be via LoTW, or direct only to GU8ITE.

Once every two years, thousands of athletes from across the globe — from Scandinavia to the Mediterranean, the North Atlantic to the Caribbean and South Atlantic — come together to compete in the NatWest International Island Games. In 1985, as part of their Year of Sport, the Isle of Man set in motion an ambitious plan to bring together athletes from small islands across the world to take part in a new sporting festival dubbed the 'Inter-Island Games'.

700 sportsmen and women from 15 islands landed on Manx soil for what the UK national press called the 'Small Islands Mini Olympics'. Competitors hailed from the Faroe Islands and Scandinavia in the northern hemisphere, the British Isles, the Mediterranean and as far afield as St Helena in the South Atlantic—a 5,000-mile trip.

HH, HAITI Special event station **HH75RCH** will be QRV from Port-au-Prince, Haïti <u>until May 1</u> to celebrate the 75th anniversary of RaBdio Club D'Haïti. QRV on HF bands, QSL via N2OO. (TNX

- I, ITALY Celebrating the centenary of the Italian Air Force (28 March 1923), a large number of special callsigns will be active from 20 March to 20 June: IIOAQN, IIOBPL, IIOCMP, IIOFRO, IIOGUI, IIOLAT, IIOMVV, IIOPDM, IIORMC, IIICAM, II2MIL, II2VNG, II3AFT, II3AVI, II3BLN, II3GOR, II3IST, II4PNF, II5PIS, II5PON, II6PES, II7BRI, II7LEG, II8RCL, II8REG, II8VVL, II9CMS, II9CTF, II9CVT, II9PAB, II9SIG, II9TMM, IO5LUT, IO9MAR, IY1TO. The activity is organized by the Associazione Radioamatori Italiani (ARI) in collaboration with the Air Force General Staff; each call- sign represents a place that had or still has significant impor- tance in the ITAAF history. (TNX 425DX)
- **I, ITALY** Members of ARI Novara will be active as **II1CAI** from 15 February to 30 June. The special callsign memorializes the 100th anniversary of the local section of the glorious Club Alpino Italiano (the Italian Alpine Club, founded in 1863). QSL via IQ1NO. (TNX 425DX)
- **I, ITALY** The ARI section Fidenza (www.arifidenza.it) runs a "Marconi was here!" award programme throughout 2023 to mark important steps and locations in Marconi's career and in the development of wireless technology:
- <u>April</u>: **II4BRI**; BARI: inauguration of the first Italian radiotelegraphic station with commercial purposes (1904)
- May: **II4GNV**; GENUA: switch on of the lighting system in Sidney by means of a radio beacon (1930)
- <u>June</u>: **II4SSM**; SASSO MARCONI (BO): at Villa Griffone, first wireless contact in history (1895) July: **II4SPZ**; LA SPEZIA: experiments with the Italian military Navy (1897)
- August: **II4GAR**; GOLFO ARANCI (SS): Short Wave contact with Rocca di Papa (Rome) 1932) September: **II4CGD**; CASTEL GANDOLFO (ROME): inauguration of the microwave full duplex system with the Vatican (1933)
- October: **II4SML**; S. MARGHERITA LIGURE (GE): microwave RTX experiments (1931) November: **II4CLT**; COLTANO (PI): inauguration of the first Italian intercontinental radiotelegraphic station (1911)
- <u>December</u>: **II4CDV**; CITTA' DEL VATICANO: inauguration of the Vatican radio station (1931) For QSL information see qrz.com. An award, based on contacts with these stations, is also available.(TNX DXNL)
- **LA, NORWAY LA100K** is the special callsign for the Akademisk Radioklubb, LA1K to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its foundation. Based in Trondheim, it is the oldest amateur radio club in Norway. The special callsign is in use <u>during 2023</u>. QSL via the bureau, or direct. (TNX 425DX)
- **LZ, BULGARIA** Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns <u>during 2023</u> to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ522ME** (April), **LZ78KA** (May and June),
- **LZ1015RW** (July and August), **LZ288MS** (September and October), and **LZ600PA** (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2023 Award" can be found at https://www.lz1kcp.com/. (TNX 425DX)
- **OE, AUSTRIA OE40XTU** is the special callsign for OE1XTU, the Amateur Radio Club at TU Wien (the Vienna University of Technology), to celebrate its 40th anniversary <u>during 2023</u>. QSL via LoTW and eQSL (preferred), paper cards to be requested via Club Log's OQRS will be sent in early 2024. (TNX 425DX)
- **ON, BELGIUM** To celebrate World Amateur Radio Day, the UBA (https://www.uba.be) will activate the special callsign **OT23WARD** throughout the month of April. A commemorative award will be available for working the station in five different band/mode slots. See QRZ.com or the UBA website for more details.
- **ON, BELGIUM OQ95RCL** is the special callsign for Radio Club Leuven (ON4CP) to celebrate its 95th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, bureau, or direct to ON3AR. Free award is available see https://hamlog.online/club/rcl/713 (TNX 425DX)
- **ON, BELGIUM OT2023EPIC** is the special callsign for the Pajottenlandse Radio Amateur Club (ON4PRA) to promote the sixth edition of the Antwerp Port Epic cycling race. Look for activity between 22 April and 21 May (the actual day the race will be held on). (TNX 425DX)
- OZ, DENMARK EDR special callsign **5P0WARD** will be active on 11-25 April in celebration of World Amateur Radio Day. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW and eQSL, or via OZ1ACB. See https://www.grz.com/db/5p0ward for the award. (TNX 425DX)
- **PA, THE NETHERLANDS** The Dutch Navy Radio Amateur Club (MARAC) will participate during the Museum Ship Weekend this year from the former minesweeper Abraham Crijnssen, which is moored on the Navy Museum in Den Helder, Netherlands. The special call sign **PA37AC** will be used. The MSW will be held <u>from Saturday</u>, <u>June 3</u>, 00:00 <u>GMT to Sunday</u>, <u>June 4</u>, 11:59 <u>p.m.</u> GMT. Other participants and further information can be found on the website https://www.nj2bb.org/museum/
- The MARAC will soon issue an award, dedicated to the special history of the Abraham Crijnssen. More information will be soon available on the MARAC website, see http://www.marac-radio.nl/

PA, THE NETHERLANDS The Scouting troop Thomas More in Prinsenbeek celebrates its 85th anniversary with the callsign PA85TP <u>during 2023</u> and the Scouting Prinsenbeek Amateur Radio Club marks its 30th anniversary with the call **PA30SPARC**. An award for QSOs with these callsigns and PI9TP is also available from the Manager Edwin, PE5ENJ (<u>pd5enj@msn.com</u>). (TNX DXNL)

SM, SWEDEN 8580AA is the special callsign for the Vasteras Radio Klubb, SK5AA to celebrate its 80th anniversary throughout 2023. More information can be found on https://www.sk5aa.se/. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), via the bureau to SK5AA, or direct to SM5FUG. (TNX 425DX)

SV, GREECE SX50AHH is a special callsign for Polydoros, SV1AHH to celebrate his golden jubilee in amateur radio. Operated from Greece by SV1JFL, SV1QVA, SV1GGF and SV1AHH himself, the callsign will be used on 10-28 April on 160-10 metres CW, SSB, FT8, FT4 and RTTY. The logs will be uploaded to eQSL, LoTW, Club Log; paper cards will not be available. (TNX 425DX) **TA, TURKEY** Celebrating the 100th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey

(29 October 1923), the Turkish Radio Amateurs Association (TRAC) will operate special callsigns **TC100, TC100TA**, **TC100TR** and **TC100YEAR** throughout 2023. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VI100MB is the special callsign for the Manly-Warringah Radio Society (VK2MB) to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its formation. Look for activity until <u>25 February 2024</u>. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VI75G is the callsign for the Geelong Amateur Radio Club to celebrate its 75th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL, or via VK3ATL (direct and bureau). (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VI10VKFF is the special callsign celebrating the 10th anniversary of the World Wide Flora & Fauna (WWFF) programme in Australia (https://www.wwffaustralia.com/). It will be used from Australian Parks <u>until the end of 2023</u>. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via VK5PAS (direct or bureau). (TNX 425DX)

VR, HONG KONG In celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, radio amateurs in Hong Kong are permitted to use the special call prefix "**VR25**" <u>until end June</u>.

VU, INDIA Look for **AU40NRO** to be active <u>from 1 April to 30 June</u> to celebrate The 40th anniversary of the National Institute of Amateur Radio (NIAR). QSL via VU2NRO. (TNX 425DX) **VU, INDIA** The special event station **AT2G20** operates <u>from March 3 until June 2</u> in the context of the G20 summit to be held in India in September 2023. QSL via VU2UUU (d/B). (TNX DXNL) **XE, MEXICO** Special callsign **4B0T** will be used until <u>the end of June</u>. "As its name implies, it is a semi-automated station or bot that uses the WSJT-Z program", Ramon XE1KK says. "The goal of the experiment is to test different scripts of the program while pointing the antenna in unusual directions and at different times". 4B0T will primarily operate on 10 and 12 metres FT4, and on 6 metres FT8. QSL via LoTW only. (TNX 425DX)

YO, ROMANIA YR1400VT is the special callsigns that members of Radio Club YO6KGS will be using <u>until 30 June 2023</u> to popularize the newly inaugurated Via Transilvanica, a long-distance trail (1400 km) used for hiking, cycling and horse riding that crosses Romania. (TNX 425DX)

